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From: Jo Ann Kittrell
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Thanks!

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On Jan 29, 2016, at 5:41 PM, PerezSullivan, Margot <PerezSullivan.Margot@epa.gov> wrote:

(finalized literally seconds ago...)

The EPA received Governor Sandoval's recent letter on the Anaconda Copper Mine and appreciates his acknowledgement of the need for cleanup at the site. The Agency will give careful consideration to the Governor's request for additional time to negotiate a cleanup approach supported by the agricultural and mining industries. The immediate threat is an estimated 90 million gallons of acidic solution that, if left untreated, could result in the contamination of the Mason Valley Groundwater Basin. To avoid failure of the current system, major construction must begin by summer 2019. EPA remains committed to ensuring that the funding will be in place to achieve this objective.

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